GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
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CONVERTION OF LAND FROM LEASEHOLD TO FREEHOLD
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are awere that the Central Vigilance Commission had given some suggestions to deal with the corruption prevailing in converting the leasehold land into freehold land in the Delhi Development Authority;

(b) if so, whether the Delhi Development Authority has acted upon the suggestions of the Central Vigilance Commission; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BAN DATTATREYA)

(a)to(c): DDA has reported that a Study Group of the Central Vigilance Commission submitted a report on the scheme for conversion from lease hold to free hold and it has acted upon the suggestions given by the said study group. DDA has further intimated that during the period April, 2001 to January, 2002 its vigilance department conducted 59 site inspections/surprise checks and departmental action has been initiated against 100 officials. During the same period disciplinary cases of 152 officials were finalized, out of which major penalties were imposed in 60 cases, which include 5 cases of removal/dismissal from service and one case of compulsory retirement. In 59 cases minor penalties were imposed.

DDA has also taken several measures to streamline its functioning, including improvement of dispatch system, providing services of counselors/facilitators in the reception center, computerization etc.